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Examiner: Malgorzata Walicka, Ph.D.

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION  
UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria VA 22313

Dear Sir,

This paper is responsive to the most recent Office Action on the merits, dated April 20, 2004, for which a response is due October 20, 2004. Accompanying this Response is a Request for a three month extension of time. Accordingly, this paper is timely filed.

Applicant has given careful consideration to the analysis in the Office Action. Please enter the following amendments and remarks.

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